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WHEREAS all Merchants, Commanders of Ships, and others who have Commiſſions or Letters of Marque, or Commiſſions for private Men of War againſt the Enemy, are, by the 21ſt Article of the Inſtructions deliver'd to them with their Commiſſions, obliged from Time to Time to obſerve all ſuch other Inſtructions and Orders as Her Majeſty ſhall think fit to direct: And whereas Her Majeſty, for the better carrying on of Her Service, has thought fit to add the Additional Inſtruction hereafter inſerted; all Perſons concern'd are to take Notice thereof, and to conform themſelves to the ſame accordingly.

THAT all Priſoners which ſhall be taken abroad by any Ship having Letter of Marque, or Commiſſion for private Men of War, and which ſhall be afterwards obliged to put into any Foreign Port, ſhall be delivered to the French *Conſul or Agent there, whoſe Receipt is to be demanded and taken for them, expreſſing not only their Names, but their Quality; except ſuch Priſoners only as the Commanding Officer of ſuch private Man of War, or Ship with Letters of Marque, ſhall think proper to bring home to be examined, in order to the Condemnation of any Prize wherein ſuch Priſoners ſhall be taken; the which Receipts are to be tranſmitted, by the very firſt Opportunity which ſhall preſent, to Her Majeſty's Commiſſioners for Sick and Wounded Seamen, and the Exchange of Priſoners of War, at their Office in* Weſtminſter, *the better to enable them to demand from Time to Time, from the ſaid Officers of the* French *King, the like Number of Priſoners, Her Majeſty's Subjects, in lieu of them. But in caſe there ſhall be no* French *Officers at the Foreign Ports where the aforemention'd Ships ſhall arrive, that then the like Receipt be taken from the Commanding Officer of the Prize-Ship whereunto the Priſoners to be put on Shore at the ſaid Ports ſhall belong, and tranſmitted to the Commiſſioners for the Exchange of Priſoners of War, as aforeſaid.*

Naples, December 20. *N. S.* The Viceroy has demanded 4000 Ducats for the Uſe of the Troops; but the Collateral Council have anſwer'd his Excellency, That it was not in their Power to enter upon the Conſideration of that Subject, except in a General Aſſembly of the States of the City. Don Dominico Tomacelli is made Captain of his Excellency's Horſe-Guards. There are at preſent in this Port 16 Tartans, which came in laden with Corn and Oil, under Convoy of two Dutch Veſſels of War, which are hir'd for that Service: But we are now building two Ships; which, added to the Boats we have already, 'tis hop'd will enable us to guard our Coaſts againſt the Privateers of Sicily without any Foreign Aſſiſtance. The Count de Montero is on his Return to Spain: His Catholick Majeſty has given him the Lieutenancy of the Province of Lecce, with an Annual Penſion of 4000 Ducats. His Majeſty has been pleas'd alſo to make his Father, who is a Priſoner in France, Grandee of Spain; and permitted the Count to offer in Exchange for him any Priſoner taken at Gaeta, except the Duke of Eſcalona.

Milan, Dec. 27. On the 25th of this Month Seignior Bernardino Maſchara arriv'd here from Barcelona, and brings Advice, That the Marquis Ariberti had receiv'd a Commiſſion from his Catholick Majeſty to be Field-Marſhal, and Governor of Pavia. The Marquis de Prié and Count Vernon are expected within few Days to act on the Part of his Royal Highneſs of Savoy, in relation to his Demand of the Vigevano and Novareze: But we are not yet inform'd who will have the Honour of being his Imperial Majeſty's Miniſter on that Occaſion. There are very great Preparations made for the Reception of the Conſort of his Catholick Majeſty. The Imperial Troops continue their March through the Bolonеze, in the Eccleſiaſtical State, to Naples: The Commiſſaries have taken Care for the exact Payment of their Quarters. Letters from Turin inform us, That his Royal Highneſs takes all poſſible Meaſures for being early in the Field; and that his new Levies are carry'd on with great Succeſs. They are adding new Works to the Fortifications of Suſa, and very frequently relieve the Gariſon. His Royal Highneſs intends to make the Place before the Citadel of Turin into a Square, according to the Model of his Anceſtors. He has accordingly given Directions for pulling down a long Row of Houſes, which ſuffer'd in the late Siege of that Town. They write from Genoa, That the Fleet of Britiſh and Dutch Men of War and Tranſports have ſail'd to Vado, in order to receive the Troops deſign'd for Catalonia. They add, That the Infantry was already embark'd; and that all thoſe Auxiliary Troops would be ready to ſail in the beginning of January. Count Lecherain, who is lately come from Spain, is ſuddenly expected here from Genoa. The Elector Palatine has been pleas'd to give him the Command of his Regiment of Guards. He is commiſſion'd from his Catholick Majeſty to go to Vienna, Duſſeldorp, the Hague, and Great Britain, with proper Inſtructions to lay the preſent State of his Majeſty's Affairs before the Potentates in his Alliance. 'Tis ſaid, That the Governor of Orbitello being very zealous for the Intereſts of the Duke of Anjou, the Gariſon took the Advantage of his Abſence when they declar'd for his Catholick Majeſty, and deny'd him Entrance at his Return.

Hague, Jan. 13. *N. S.* There are ſome Differences in Zealand, occaſion'd by the Death of the late Bayliff of Fluſhing. The Council for the Domains of the late King of England having nam'd a Succeſſor to that Office, at the ſame time that the States of Zealand have given their Nomination to another; the late King's Council have enter'd their Action in the Court of Juſtice, which the States of Zealand have proteſted againſt; and alledge, That the Appeal